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It is said that there will be a Negro candidate for assistant postmaster. we don't know wheth or not this is true and we are not in touch with the friends of the party applicant, and at this time, of course, we are unable to say whether or not the individual is competent and worthy and at eligible for the position, but, of course, we are willing to leave all that in a short time the fellows down in the trenches will be informed as to who we are expected to support.

We understand and are informed that Rev. Wm. Martin, an A. M. E. preacher, will attend the conference at ——— We defended this fellow some years ago when he was charged with the crime of rape, and he has promised year after year to pay for our service. Fortunately or unfortunately we got the cuss out, and we know unfortunately for ourselves for we have not been paid for our services, when a fellow don't pay we call him a dead beat. When a minister don't pay we call him a ministerial dead beat, and that's the name we apply to this cuss.

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Rumor says that a colored man has been appointed clerk in the post office. If this is true the old mau has played a pretty strong card, and the other fellows will have to show up and beat. It is almost ap ace and may be a king, and we feel certain it is a queen. Now we want to see what kind of cards the other fellows have got, because this is a game in which you have got to play cards with faces up.

The exercises at the C. M. E. church on last Sunday were of the very highest class, highly appreciated by the audience. All of the speeches were complimentary to Rev. Gratton and his officers. The reverend has shown by his zeal and earnest efforts that he is deserving of all the praise tendered him by those present, and that his assistants are earnest christians, We have watched his course as a man since he has been in town, and we desire to add our testimonial to that of his flock and his other friends, as being one of the cleanest men of his profession that has ever lived in Muskogee, and we earnestly hope that his good bishop may return him to his work, as we need men of good character—pure men—to build up this section of our country, and such a man is Rev. Cratton, pastor of the C. M. E church at this place.

There is a muddle—a great muddle—in the affairs of the A. M. E. church. The Cimeter has always stood for right and justice. We would rather be right than be wrong, and for the benefit of the fellows who have been Brong since the selling of the church property on Second So., we desire to inform them that that there are some men who signed the deed who are not trustees of the church, and we understand that the name of one man who was a trustee was signed to the deed without his knowledge, presence or censest. Now, the men who are responsible for this condition of affairs know that they gave the man a bad title—if they gave him any title at all—when they pretended to sell that property. Somebody is guilty of false pretense and that is a serious crime in this chuntry. Now, if there is any pleasant, amicable way onr of the lamentable condition of the condition of the church, we think they ought to find that way and find it quick, as there is extreme danger of some fellow allowing his ministerial robe to trail in the dyet, and as it rains in this country occasionally, the lower parts of the robe are liable to get muddy. We offer these sugestions in fairness and hope that in the end all will be well.

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RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$410,936.13	Capital	\$200,000.00
Overdrafts (Cotton)	23,198.89	Surplus and Profit	16,978.26
Bonds and Premiums	106,080.49	Circulation	50,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,046.26	Deposits	345,142.28
Cash and Exchange	68,125.35	Reserved for Taxes	1,266.36
	\$613,886.92		\$613,887.92

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